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Attorney Docket No. 4906.P028

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EL 485755487US (Only for new nonprovisional applications under 37 CFR 1.53(b)) Express Mail Label No. **APPLICATION ELEMENTS** Assistant Commissioner for Patents ADDRESS TO: Box Patent Application See MPEP chapter 600 concerning utility patent application contents. Washington, DC 20231 Fee Transmittal Form (e.g., PTO/SB/17) CD-ROM or CD-R in duplicate, large table or (Submit an original and a duplicate for fee processing) Computer Program (Appendix) Applicant claims small entity status. 8. Nucleotide and/or Amino Acid Sequence Submission See 37 CFR 1.27. (if applicable, all necessary) Specification [Total Pages (preferred arrangement set forth below) 54 3. **X** Computer Readable Form (CRF) - Descriptive title of the invention Specification Sequence Listing on: - Cross Reference to Related Applications i. CD-ROM or CD-R (2 copies); or - Statement Regarding Fed sponsored R & D - Reference to sequence listing, a table, or a computer program listing appendix - Background of the Invention Statements verifying identity of above copies - Brief Summary of the Invention ACCOMPANYING APPLICATION PARTS - Brief Description of the Drawings (if filed) - Detailed Description 9. XVAssignment Papers (cover sheet & document(s)) - Claim(s) 37 CFR 3.73(b) Statement Power of - Abstract of the Disclosure Attorney (when there is an assignee) English Translation Document (if applicable) 4. X Drawing(s) (35 U.S.C. 113) [ Total Sheets Copies of IDS Information Disclosure 5. Oath or Declaration [ Total Pages Citations Statement (IDS)/PTO-1449 Newly executed (original or copy) Copy from a prior application (37 CFR 1.63 (d)) (for continuationIdivisional with Box 18 completed) Preliminary Amendment 13. Return Receipt Postcard (MPEP 503) (Should be specifically itemized) Certified Copy of Priority Document(s) (if foreign priority is claimed) **DELETION OF INVENTOR(S)** Signed statement attached deleting inventor(s) named in the prior application, see 37 CFR Request and Certification under 35 U.S.C. 122 16. **X** 1.63(d)(2) and 1.33(b). (b)(2)(B)(i). Applicant must attach form PTO/SB/35 or its equivalent. Application Data Sheet. See 37 CFR 1.76 Other: 18. If a CONTINUING APPLICATION, check appropriate box, and supply the requisite information below and in a preliminary amendment, or in an Application Data Sheet under 37 CFR 1.76: Continuation Divisional Continuation-in-part (CIP) of prior application No.:\_ Examiner Group Art Unit-For CONTINUATION OR DIVISIONAL APPS only: The entire disclosure of the prior application, from which an oath or declaration is supplied under Box 5b, is considered a part of the disclosure of the accompanying continuation or divisional application and is hereby incorporated by reference. The incorporation can only be relied upon when a portion has been inadvertently omitted from the submitted application parts. 19. CORRESPONDENCE ADDRESS 008791 Customer Number or Bar Code Label Correspondence address below Name <u>Address</u> State City Zip Code Country Telephone Fax A. Peagock Registration No. (Attorney/Agent) 45.001 Name (Print/Type) Signature

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